



January 9, 2017

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Hospital Licensees and Other Interested Parties

**From:** Gwen C. Thompson

**Subject:** Hospitals Regulation Revision

The Department is seeking individuals who would like to participate in a regulation revision workshop for Hospitals. The meeting will be composed of hospital representatives and administrators and stakeholders from throughout the state as well as Department representatives. The Department initiated the statutory process to revise Regulation 61-16, Minimum Standards for Licensing Hospitals and Institutional General Infirmaries, by publication of a Notice of Drafting (NOD) in the *State Register* September 23, 2016. Subsequently, a Notice of Proposed Regulation (NPR) was published in the *State Register* December 23, 2016. The goal of this meeting is to have an open dialogue about the proposed amendments to R.61-16. The NPR can be accessed by Document Number 4740 at: <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regnsrch.php>. The NPR includes the Department's latest amendments to R.61-16 and will be the subject of this meeting.

The meeting will be held **Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 3:00 p.m.** at the Columbia Mills Building located at 301 Gervais Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. Upon arrival, proceed to the rear of the building and enter through the glass doors under the blue awning. We will also be offering a call-in option for those who wish to participate but are unable to attend. The Department will email the information for call-in access no later than the morning of the meeting.

If you have any further questions, please contact Thomas Bowen at [bowentg@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:bowentg@dhec.sc.gov), or (803) 898-3953.